

What is claimed is:

1. An optical connector for coupling one optical fiber wire with another optical fiber wire in physical contact, said optical connector comprising a receiving

5 portion including a support region adapted to support an optical fiber wire along the axis of said receiving portion, wherein said axis of said receiving portion is offset from the axis of said optical fiber wire in a posture of being ready to be inserted into said receiving portion.

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2. An optical connector as defined in claim 1, wherein said receiving portion includes a guide region which is provided at the end thereof and on an extension of the axis of said optical fiber wire in the posture of being ready to be inserted into said receiving portion, said guide region slanting in the direction to widen said receiving portion.

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3. An optical connector as defined in claim 1 or 2, wherein said support region is formed in a V-shaped section.